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NURSE WHO WED PATIENT WILL INHERIT WEALTH

Ex-Policeman, Who Was Recluse in Stratford, Leaves Over \$40,000 In Cash

MARRIED FEW MONTHS AGO; LEAVES FORTUNE

Kennedy Once Served As Member of Famous Broadway Squad, in New York

With the death of Patrick Kennedy, a retired member of the famous Broadway squad of traffic police men, New York city, in Stratford, early this week, his widow, who became his wife only a few months ago, is about to receive a substantial share of an unexpectedly large estate.

Kennedy left cash deposits in banks in New York and Connecticut aggregating a fortune over \$40,000. He owned considerable realty. The terms of the Kennedy will, which will be filed for probate tomorrow, provide that one-third of the property shall go to the widow and the other two-thirds to relatives in New York. A fund in created from the real estate from which a son of Kennedy now in the Connecticut Hospital for Insane, Middletown, shall be cared for.

Kennedy retired from the New York police department a quarter of a century ago and lived almost as a recluse in Stratford. On November 12, 1912, his son, mentally unbalanced, shot him and the old policeman's life was in danger. Mrs. Kennedy Mason, a Bridgeport widow, who cared for him, and from the acquaintance thus formed, a romance developed. They were married April 14 last. Kennedy was 72. Mrs. Mason was 35. She lived at 509 Arctic street. Kennedy died on Monday.

According to the terms of the will which will be filed for probate tomorrow, Mrs. Kennedy will receive a dowry right to one-third of the estate—estimated to be worth at least \$20,000. Of the remainder a portion is set aside for the care of his son, and the balance and income in New York will have the remainder.

Arden L. Judd of Stratford is named executor.

HIS WIFE, BOARDER, AND SAVINGS GONE

Six months ago Daniel Kardos came to Bridgeport from Pennsylvania, boarding at the home of Michael Iszak, Willow street, on the ground that he and Michael came from the same little village in Hungary. Michael also aided in getting Daniel a job with him on a garbage collecting wagon. Yesterday Daniel disappeared. Mrs. Iszak then drew \$1000 and over \$400, savings of more than 13 years' hard work also disappeared.

The boarder, Iszak's family and his savings are believed to be on the way to Pennsylvania and the police have been appealed to head them off. Iszak told the police that he formerly kept his savings in a bank until he became frightened and drew it out. Since then it has been kept in the house with Mrs. Iszak as the guardian.

LASHAR SUE FOR \$10,000 FOR DEATH OF AUTO VICTIM

W. B. Lashar of this city has been sued for \$10,000 by Stanley Duginsky, of Shelton, administrator on the estate of Augustine Duginsky. It is claimed that Augustine, who was seven years old, was crossing Center street in Shelton on July 18 last when he was struck by Lashar's machine driven by Chauffeur Horgan.

The boy was hurt about the head and his injuries proved fatal. It is claimed that the machine was driven at reckless speed and that no efforts were made to slacken the car's pace in order to avoid school children crossing the street. The suit is returnable to the superior court, December term.

Freed From Prison, Drops Dead at His Thanksgiving Feast

Wauump, Wis., Nov. 27.—The wish of David Jacobs, 60 years old, who had spent 20 years in state's prison for murder, that his life should not end within the walls was granted on Thanksgiving day, only to be followed, it became known today, by the old man falling dead a few moments after eating dinner with his son at a local restaurant outside the prison. A parole from the governor had been granted and the son arrived to accompany his father home.

"We will have a Thanksgiving dinner here first, father, because we cannot arrive home in time to eat with the folks," said the son.

The two went into a restaurant together. As they left Jacobs dropped dead of heart failure.

DESERTION ALLEGED

Papers were filed in the superior court today in divorce proceedings brought by George Inestitor of this city against Suzanne Inestitor of Stamford. The couple were married January 29, 1906. Desertion on Oct. 27, 1911 is alleged. The wife's maiden name was Suzanne Sebesta.

THE WEATHER.

Fair and colder. Probably rain or snow.

Jury Upholds Bailey Will

After hearing the evidence presented at the trial of the Mrs. James A. Bailey will case before Supreme Court Justice Keogh, a jury of 11 men decided Wednesday that the will was valid and should not be broken in favor of Mrs. Anne Elizabeth Hutchinson of this city.

Though 12 men had been drawn to try the case, owing to the illness of the aged mother of William Lisbald, in Pittsfield, Mass., he was excused by unanimous consent of counsel.

The will of Mrs. Bailey, widow of the late showman associated with P. T. Barnum in large circus ventures, disposed of about \$4,500,000. Though Mrs. Anne E. Hutchinson was a sister of Mrs. Bailey the will disposed of property to her brothers and one sister. Mrs. Hutchinson, the mother of Fred Hutchinson, present treasurer of the Barnum & Bailey circus and Charles Hutchinson an official of the Sells-Floto circus in the west, declared that undue influence had been exerted to prevent her sharing equally with her brothers and sister. The court was therefore asked to set aside the will. The will, as now sustained, provides an annuity of \$10,000 for Mrs. Hutchinson. There was no provision for her sons.

A trial of the case last April resulted in a verdict in Mrs. Hutchinson's favor which was later set aside by Supreme Court Justice Tompkins at White Plains upon the grounds that the verdict did not follow the evidence.

HOSPITAL FUND IS NEARING \$75,000

At Noon, Today, Total Is Announced As \$66,961.55—Holiday Is Successful

St. Vincent's Hospital campaign fund totalled \$66,961.55 at noon today. Indications were that it be more than \$75,000 by nightfall. The fund received a \$5,000 boost this morning when the campaign headquarters received notice of another pledge for the establishment of a free bed. The name of the donor of this gift will be withheld until the close of the campaign.

A check of \$100 was received from the Locomobile Company of America, and a number of other fine contributions were expected during the afternoon.

Thanksgiving day was most fruitful for the workers. Three pledges of \$5,000 each were received for the establishment of free beds in addition to other contributions which brought the total to \$61,861.55 last night.

To date, seven free beds have been pledged. Six of these were received since Wednesday, representing monetary collections of \$30,000. The Knights of Columbus promised a \$5,000 endowment at the opening of the campaign.

Alfred Frank A. Converse, in charge of the headquarters, was all smiles today. "It looks like \$80,000 now," he said. "We are greatly pleased with the response of the past few days and we understand that our handsome contributions are to be made."

The executive committee will hold an important meeting this evening at 8 o'clock at the headquarters. Business incidental to the concluding of the campaign will be taken up. The 300 workers today were putting in final work on the big lot of probably given indexed at headquarters. Several team captains this morning reported that they would have very happy reports to make this evening when the supper will be served as usual at 6:30 o'clock.

FIND PLACES FOR KEARNS AND COLE IN COUNTY JAIL

Aldermen Will Resign In June to Take Places of O'Neil and Reynolds

William R. Kearns, of the Tenth district, and Alderman Oliver C. Cole, of the Eleventh district, both Republicans, will resign from the common council, next June, to take places under the new sheriff, Simeon Pease. Kearns is scheduled to succeed Dennis E. O'Neil, keeper at the jail, and Cole to take the place of Simon Reynolds, assistant jailer. O'Neil combines with the duties of keeper a large amount of the clerical work of the jail.

Thomas J. Cunningham, county sealer of weights and measures, who is slated for a place on the staff of the sheriff-elect, as a deputy sheriff, will not land the plum without opposition. At present the young Republicans are making a drive against him, contending that he should retain his present place. Friends of Cunningham are confident he will land the deputy sheriff's badge, without appreciable trouble.

LORD FILES SCHEDULE IN BANKRUPTCY COURT

Petitions and schedules were today filed with Referee John W. Banks in the bankruptcy of Edward Lord, of Stamford Conn., who conducted a meat and grocery business in that city. The schedules show liabilities of \$22,074 with assets of \$22,023. Much accommodation paper is listed among the liabilities. Hearings were held this afternoon before Referee John W. Banks in the matters of C. A. Stram & Company and Harry Gordon, bankrupts. Both hearings will be a first meeting of creditors.

EXPULSION FROM FORESTERS, SHE ASKS DAMAGES

Stenographer Brings \$5,000 Suit Against Catalpa Circle, C. O. F.

FUNDS OF CIRCLE IN BANK ARE TIED UP

Plaintiff Alleges She Has Been Ejected From Membership Without Cause

Alleging that her expulsion from membership in Catalpa circle, No. 425, Companions of the Forest, was illegal and that her reputation has been damaged thereby, Lillian Farrell, a stenographer, living in East Main street, has brought suit for \$5,000 damages against the order and has attached the \$3,000 account which the circle has in the bank of T. L. Watson & Co. Papers in the action were served today. Attorney J. A. Cornell is attorney for Lillian Farrell. Miss Farrell was expelled from the order after a trial on charges of having made slanderous statements concerning Miss Annie E. Poth, the supreme companion of the order. Miss Poth lives in New York. She is a dashing brunette and widely known in Bridgeport where she has visited very often. Mrs. Julia Trowbridge, chief companion of Catalpa circle, is said to have heard all the evidence against Miss Farrell, to have conducted the trial and to have brought about her expulsion from the order.

This official action in sending Miss Farrell out of the society is said to have preceded a session in which both Miss Farrell and Mrs. Trowbridge talked fast and furious regarding what it was alleged Miss Farrell said about Miss Poth. Miss Farrell denies that she said anything of the kind and also claims that she was illegally declared out of good standing in the order of the Companions of the Forest. Thomas M. Cullinan is the attorney for the Catalpa circle and he will defend the suit when it comes shortly before the superior court.

Some time ago the women's societies connected with the Foresters of America in Bridgeport, split into different camps. There is a Catalpa circle, No. 14, Lady Foresters of America which meets the first and third Fridays of each month in Foresters' hall, at 22 Center street, Lincoln building. Catalpa circle, No. 425, Companions of the Forest meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at the headquarters. Mrs. Farrell created widespread interest today among members of all secret societies of women in this city.

ASK CONFIRMATION OF AWARD AGAINST DANBURY HATTERS

Washington, Nov. 27.—Counsel for D. E. Loewe & Company, the Danbury, Conn., hat concern awarded \$250,000 damages under the Sherman law against 182 members of the United Hatters' Union for injuries from a boycott today asked the supreme court in printed briefs to affirm the judgment of the lower court. The briefs argue that conditions surrounding the organization of a modern labor union call for the application of the rule making members of an association liable for the acts of their officers.

LOCAL BANKS HAVE NOT YET SOUGHT TO REDISCOUNT PAPER

A meeting of the directors of the Regional Bank at Boston of which Charles G. Sanford, president of the First-Bridgeport National bank of this city is a member, took place at Boston on Wednesday. It was reported today that but little demand for rediscount has so far resulted from the new banking act, though it is expected that as soon as conditions warrant the elasticity of the system will be found of great benefit generally. As yet no Bridgeport institution had sought to rediscount commercial paper.

Colombian Youth to Study Irrigation Here

Washington, Nov. 27.—Two sons of Julian Uribe, vice-president of the Colombian House of Representatives, are to be employed by the U. S. Reclamation service to their experience for building irrigation projects in their own country. An executive order waiving the civil service regulations was signed today as an act of international courtesy to Colombia.

PHILADELPHIA RELIEF SHIPS AT FALMOUTH

Philadelphia, Nov. 27.—A cable message received here today announced the arrival at Falmouth, England, of the Norwegian steamship Thelma, the first of the two Philadelphia steamers sent to Europe loaded with food and other supplies for the Belgian war sufferers contributed by the people of this city. The Thelma is bound for Rotterdam and left here Nov. 12. The second ship, the Norwegian steamer Orn, left Wednesday.

WILSON SEEKS TO STOP AERIAL ATTACKS ON NON-BELLIGERENTS; GERMAN ARMY TAKES DEFENSIVE

President Voices His Disapproval of Aerial Attacks On Towns of Non-Combatants, In Unofficial Messages to United States Agents in European War Zone.

ACTION WAS TAKEN TWO MONTHS SINCE

Portions of Hague Treaties Cited In President's Endeavor to End Danger to Non-Belligerents—Diplomats Act In Person On Message and Are Courteously Received.

Washington, Nov. 27.—President Wilson has communicated unofficially to the diplomatic representatives of the United States in the belligerent countries of Europe his disapproval of attacks by bombs from aircraft dropped on unprotected cities occupied by non-combatants. The President was careful, not to take the matter up officially and did not even make his communication through the state department but personally addressed the American ambassadors abroad. The President took this course, it became known today, nearly two months ago. The facts came to light through the publication of a report that the President had discussed the matter with European diplomats here.

This, however, was denied by some of the important diplomats mentioned in the report, who stated that they had never seen the President's letter, including the German ambassador.

Just how the American diplomats abroad were to convey President Wilson's feeling, in the matter to the foreign governments had not been disclosed as White House officials, in the absence of the President refused to discuss the matter. It is believed, however, that the President called attention to an article in the Hague convention of 1907 to which all the principal belligerents are signatory, which provides for notice of 24 hours before bombardment or attack in order that non-combatants may remove themselves from the danger zone.

Whether there have been any official responses from the belligerents was not known here today but American diplomats were instructed by the President, it is understood, to handle the matter with such discretion and delicacy which would tend to end aerial attacks without notice and at the same time preserve the friendship which the United States feels toward all the belligerents involved.

It is believed that the President did not mention any specific violation but expressed his views on the general subject of aerial attacks. Through the agency of the communication which was intended by the President to induce a better understanding about aerial warfare without actually involving the American government in the matter.

It is supposed the American diplomats used their good offices, consequently, in a personal way with the belligerent governments without perhaps even mentioning the fact that they were doing so at the request of the President, as such methods of obtaining a desired end are not unusual in diplomacy.

SAY TURKS FIRED TO SAVE U. S. SHIP

Washington, Nov. 27.—The Turkish commander of the forts at Smyrna lays all responsibility for the firing upon the cruiser Tennessee's launch "to the indifference of the helmsman of the launch" who, it is said, did not heed warning of the presence of mines. Secretary Bryan today issued a supplemental statement on the Tennessee incident based upon the latest communication from the Turkish minister of war to Ambassador Morgenthau in Constantinople.

"The minister's report," said the statement, "states that he ascertained from the commander of Smyrna that two blank shots of warning were first fired and that the launch was fired two minutes later. It was the third shot in another direction from that of the launch, which later shot was merely to prevent the helmsman of the launch from holding his course which would lead directly onto very certain danger. The commander of Smyrna expresses very great regret that such an obligation was presented to the launch from which he attributed to the indifference of the helmsman of the launch."

MERCHANTS TO PASS ON MERGER PLAN DEC. 2

A meeting of the Bridgeport Business Men's association will be held on Dec. 2nd, for the purpose of receiving and considering the report of the special committee appointed to draft plans under which the various mercantile organizations in the city might merge with the local Board of Trade.

BRITISH COLLIER IS SUNK BY MINE

London, Nov. 2—5 P. M.—The British Admiralty this evening announced that the collier Khartoum had been blown up today by a mine off Grimsby. The crew of the Khartoum was landed at Grimsby.

Grimsby is on the south bank of the Humber, 15 miles southeast of Hull.

SUMMARY OF TODAY'S WAR NEWS

At few times since the European war began nearly four months ago have reports from the various fields of battle, scattered from the North Sea to the western fringe of Asia, been so incomplete and confusing as was the case today. So far as could be learned from official announcements, there was little change in the alignment of the opposing forces in any quarter, notwithstanding the fact that operations of the highest importance were underway.

The situation in Russian Poland, at present the scene of the most important conflict, has become one of the most puzzling phases of the war. An official Austrian statement is to the effect that the fighting has assumed the character of a continuous battle. In western Galicia, it is said, the Russians have been repulsed by the Austrians. Latest advices from Berlin state that the Germans have not been defeated decisively and Earl Kitchener's announcement in Parliament that Germany has suffered the greatest reversal of the war. For nearly a week their claims have been made with the utmost confidence, yet the Russian war office withholds any word of decisive developments. In some particulars a similar situation prevails in the west.

London expected this week would witness one of the most important and read the struggles of the war as a result of a renewed German effort to break through the English Channel. Official statements, however, indicate that only spasmodic fighting is in progress and as to the results there is no reconciling the reports from Berlin and Paris.

There is a corresponding conflict concerning the conflict in Serbia. The Austrian war office asserts that the advance into Serbia is being pushed forward successfully and that the Serbs were beaten in two engagements. An official statement issued at Nish, however, contains no reference to such successes, merely saying that the battle continues along the main front near the Kolubara river.

A holy war which might seriously affect the issue should it bring to arms the millions of Moslems of the eastern countries has formally proclaimed as decided upon ten days ago. The proclamation signed by the Sultan of Turkey, calls on Moslems the world over to join in the war against Great Britain, France and Russia.

Fears of friction between European powers and countries in South America over alleged violations of neutrality in southern waters, has led the principal South American nations to ask the co-operation of this country in negotiations with the nations of the two Americas.

OFFICIAL REPORTS ON THE WAR

GERMAN

Berlin, Nov. 27.—By wireless to London 5 p. m.—An official announcement given out in Berlin today, says: "English ships did not attack the coast of Flanders again yesterday. There have been no actual changes along the battle front in the western arena. To the north of Langemark we have taken a group of houses and made a number of prisoners."

"Our attack in the Argonne region has made further progress. French attacks in the neighborhood of Apremont and to the east of St. Mihiel were repulsed."

"In the eastern arena of the war there were no decisive engagements yesterday."

FRENCH

Paris, Nov. 27.—The French war office gave out an official announcement this afternoon as follows:

"The slackening of the artillery fire of the enemy was noted all along the line during the day of November 26. Two infantry attacks directed against the heads of bridges which we had thrown down on the right bank of the Yser to the south of Dixmude, were easily repulsed."

"There was no other engagement on the rest of the front of Belgium and as far as the Oise nor was there any action on the Aisne or in Champagne. Nevertheless, Rheims was rather violently bombarded during the time that a number of journalists from neutral countries were making a visit to the city."

"In the Argonne, some infantry at-

tacks resulted in the loss and the recapture of certain trenches. The men engaged in this fighting never exceeded a battalion. The ground lost and the retaken was never more than 25 yards."

"Along the right of the Meuse and in the Vosges there is nothing to report."

SERBIAN

Nish, Nov. 27.—An official statement issued today regarding the fighting in northern Serbia says:

"The battle which commenced on Nov. 20 in the Lazarevac-Mionitsa frontier continues. On the 21st our heavy artillery bombarded the Austrian monitors of Semlin and forced them to withdraw at the same time silencing the enemy's artillery."

AUSTRIAN

Berlin, Nov. 27.—via London.—An official report issued in Vienna says: "The fighting in Russian Poland has assumed the proportions of a continuous battle. In western Galicia our troops have repulsed the Russians. Marked progress has been made in the fighting in the Carpathians."

"Near the Kolubara river, in Serbia, the enemy's center is in a very strong position near Lazarevatz, but we attacked and took 1,200 prisoners, three guns, four ammunition wagons and three machine guns. To the south of Ljilid we took the eastern heights and 300 prisoners. From Valjevo our troops have advanced to Kosovitz."

Thirty Bodies Found In Hulk Of Fated Ship

Sheerness, Eng., Nov. 27.—Thirty bodies from the British battleship Bulwark were recovered from the river Thames today. The Bulwark was blown up off Sheerness yesterday, presumably the result of an internal explosion.

Most of the bodies so far recovered are mutilated almost beyond identification. Up to the present time the authorities have not given out a list of the lost.

Campaign In Belgium Assumes New Phase As German Lines Take Defensive—Fighting Now Amounts Only to Skirmishes and Light Artillery Duels.

BATTLE IN POLAND OF BIGGEST INTEREST

English War Loan of a Billion and Three-quarters Is Greatly Over-subscribed, Lloyd-George Announces—Chancellor's Office Highly Pleased With Results.

London, Nov. 27.—The campaign in France and Belgium, commonly regarded as the main conflict of the European war, seemed today to have entered, at least temporarily, upon a new phase. For the time being, Germany has relinquished the offensive, which she held so relentlessly during the earlier weeks of the war.

Official statements from Berlin and Paris showed that the fighting, which has been diminishing steadily in severity for the last two weeks, has now flattened out to a mere series of detached skirmishes involving only small numbers of men.

It remained to be seen whether this state of affairs was the prelude to another German onslaught as London has been predicting, or whether it meant that Germany had adopted new tactics which would thrust upon the allies the burden of the attack in an effort to drive out the invaders.

The French statement said that the fighting involved more than one battalion and the disputed ground extended over no more than 25 yards. The German statement reports some progress in this region. At a few other points, further west in France and in Belgium, there were small brushes.

The situation in Russian Poland, the present object of such great concern to all, is dismissed in the German statement in one short sentence. It is said that there were no decisive engagements in the east yesterday.

BRITISH WAR LOAN IS OVER-SUBSCRIBED

London, Nov. 27.—Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons today that the war loan of \$50,000,000 sterling (\$1,750,000,000) had been greatly over-subscribed.

The chancellor gives no figures. He said, however, that a feature of the loan was the enormous number of individuals, totalling nearly 100,000, who had made application for small sums. These, the chancellor declared, would receive the first allotments.

In the course of a statement concerning financial conditions in the country, the chancellor stated that the financial outlook which followed the outbreak of war was due to inability to collect outstanding debts abroad.

As an instance, Mr. Lloyd-George referred to the United States which, he said, owed Great Britain about five billion dollars, "but we could do no business," he added.

Mr. Lloyd-George told his hearers that the action the British government had taken was to save British trade, British commerce, British labor and British lives. The government, he said, had hypothecated the credit of the state in order to restore these exchanges upon which the commerce and industry of the country depended and upon which the whole community depended for their daily life.

By this step, the speaker said, the unimpeachable character of the British bill of exchange had been maintained. It was vital to the good name of this country that this type of British paper which had become currency for the whole of the trade of the world, should be unimpeachable and that none should say hereafter that in a day of crisis it had been dishonored.

CHINA TO RECEIVE BOXER INDEMNITY

Washington, Nov. 27.—China has applied for and will be paid in a few days \$200,000, of the \$1,175,000 balance of the Boxer indemnity remitted by the United States. It is being devoted to the education of 350 Chinese students in the United States.